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On 8 May, the restricted area on Gerhart Hauptmann Strasse, Neustrelitz (N 54/U 54) quartered about 200 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. On 4 May, about 70 soldiers were engaged in physical exercises, while 60 soldiers marched into the restricted area from their quarters on Dr. Kuelzstrasse. Troops practiced firing with two 122-mm field howitzers, 25 soldiers were at combat firing with rifles, and 20 soldiers were instructed in the handling of a submachine gun, on 5 May. Twenty-five soldiers practiced orientation in the terrain by means of prismatic compass. On 6 May, 12 soldiers practiced with a model 12 7.62-mm field gun, while 25 other soldiers practiced orientation in the terrain by means of prismatic compass. On 7 May, about 35 soldiers received instruction on five 122-mm field howitzers in front of a low temporary barracks building. Troops practiced firing with a 122-mm field howitzer on the target range. Twenty soldiers were instructed on two telescopic sights. On 6 May, the restricted area on Fritz Reuter Strasse was occupied by about 200 troops, including soldiers with black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia. Two groups, of 32 and 48 men respectively, equipped with rifles, marched into the restricted area. A group of 12 soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia and equipped with field telephones left the billeting area. 50X1-HU

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2. On 7 May, a group of 60 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia and equipped with entrenching tools marched out of the Neue Infanterie Kaserne on Penzliner Chaussee. Twenty-eight soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets practiced with submachine guns on the Tannenhof drill grounds. Two tanks with the turret [ ] and SP gun [ ] were also seen there. About 300 soldiers marched from the barracks installation into the wooded area of Glambek Forest where a tent camp was situated. [ ] a headquarters with a radio station was in the tent camp. A telephone line ran from the tent to Walter Ulbricht Strasse. [ ] 500 young soldiers between 16 and 19 years of age were unloaded at about 6:30 a.m. on 7 May near the woods. [ ] Vehicles identified near the Neue Infanterie Kaserne [ ]

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3. On 2 May, several groups of officers assembled at the Soviet memorial on the market square. A speech was given by a colonel.

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4. On 30 April, the Alte Grenadier Kaserne on Strelitzerstrasse quartered troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Ten soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia marched out of the installation. Other soldiers cleaned 10 mortars in the billeting area and engaged in rifle drill and physical exercises. Vehicles were identified. \*

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model 1944 85-mm tank gun

Caliber	85 mm
Muzzle velocity of the armor-piercing shell of model BR 365 meters	792 meters per second
Star shell model TR 365 K	
Fragmentation shell model O 365	
Shell with time fuze model O 365 (presumably incorrect and should read 385 meters)	
Weight of armor-piercing shell and star shell	9.2 kg
Weight of fragmentation shell	9.6 kg
Maximum pressure of exploding charge	2,505 kg for 1 cm <sup>2</sup>
Length of barrel	4,645 mm
Length of grooved section of the barrel	3,465 mm
Number of grooves	24
Length of grooves	25 caliber
Angle of slope of grooves	from 7° to 9°
Quadrant angle of elevation	0.5°
Largest angle of slope	5°
Extent of traverse	360°
Normal length of recoil	280 to 320 mm
Normal pressure of recuperator	34 to 37 atmospheres
Amount of fluid in the recuperator	3.15 liters
Amount of fluid in the recoil brake with compensator	3.25 liters
Amount of fluid in the recoil brake without compensator	3.65 liters
Weight of the gun barrel with recoil brake and recuperator without armor	1,160 kg
Weight of recoil parts.	200 kg.

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[redacted] the 85-mm tank gun model 1944 is installed in the T-34/85 tank together with models DT and DTM machine guns. Sight equipment model ch-15 or ch-16 is used. 50X1-HUM

6. Prior to 28 April, no field exercises were conducted in the area of Koebel, 30 km west of Neustrelitz. 50X1-HUM

\* [redacted] Comment. [redacted] Neustrelitz military post was still occupied to capacity by components of the 9th Cds Tank Div until the beginning of May 1952. The occupation of the individual military installations agrees with previous information. [redacted] The tent camp near the post presumably is a training bivouac of an element from the Neue Infanterie Kaserne. The shipment of allegedly young soldiers cannot be interpreted as no information relative to recruit shipments from the U.S.S.R. has been obtained to date. 50X1-HUM

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